



Sustaining a healthy future: Taking action on climate change

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Abstract:

The links between health and the environment have never been more clearly defined. Reinforcing the connections can lead to better and more effective public health policies and sustainable development strategies which in turn contribute to better environments. Whilst in England the health impacts of climate change are only just beginning to manifest, a syndemic approach which looks for common solutions to difficult social policy problems offers enormous potential to make a real difference. To take the example of obesity, encouraging people to walk rather than use their cars will not only benefit the health of the public but also has enormous potential to contribute towards our collective action on climate change by reducing carbon emissions.

Source: http://www.fph.org.uk/sustaining_a_healthy_future

Resource Description

Communication:

resource focus on research or methods on how to communicate or frame issues on climate change; surveys of attitudes, knowledge, beliefs about climate change

A focus of content

Communication Audience:

audience to whom the resource is directed

Public

Exposure :

weather or climate related pathway by which climate change affects health

Air Pollution, Ecosystem Changes, Extreme Weather Event, Food/Water Quality, Food/Water Security, Food/Water Security, Glacier/Snow Melt, Human Conflict/Displacement, Human Conflict/Displacement, Sea Level Rise, Temperature, Unspecified Exposure

Air Pollution: Ozone

Extreme Weather Event: Flooding

Food/Water Security: Agricultural Productivity, Food Access/Distribution

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Temperature: Extreme Cold, Extreme Heat, Fluctuations

Geographic Feature: ☒

resource focuses on specific type of geography

None or Unspecified

Geographic Location: ☒

resource focuses on specific location

Non-United States

Non-United States: Europe

European Region/Country: European Country

Other European Country : United Kingdom

Health Co-Benefit/Co-Harm (Adaption/Mitigation): ☒

specification of beneficial or harmful impacts to health resulting from efforts to reduce or cope with greenhouse gases

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Health Impact: ☒

specification of health effect or disease related to climate change exposure

Cancer, Cardiovascular Effect, Diabetes/Obesity, Infectious Disease, Injury, Morbidity/Mortality, Respiratory Effect

Cardiovascular Effect: Other Cardiovascular Effect

Cardiovascular Disease (other): Hypertension; Heart disease

Infectious Disease: Foodborne/Waterborne Disease, Vectorborne Disease

Foodborne/Waterborne Disease: General Foodborne/Waterborne Disease

Vectorborne Disease: Flea-borne Disease, Fly-borne Disease

Flea-borne Disease: Flea-borne Diseases, General

Fly-borne Disease: General Fly-borne Disease

Respiratory Effect: Asthma

Medical Community Engagement: ☒

resource focus on how the medical community discusses or acts to address health impacts of climate change

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Mitigation/Adaptation: ☒

mitigation or adaptation strategy is a focus of resource

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Mitigation

Resource Type: ☒

format or standard characteristic of resource

Review

Timescale: ☒

time period studied

Time Scale Unspecified